# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2684
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2002
AMENDMENT OF FOOD ADULTERATION ACT
A. VENKATESH NAIK;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;B.K. PARTHASARATHI;CHANDRAKANT BHAURAO KHAIRE;GUNIPATI RAMAIAH;VILAS BABURAO MUTTEMWAR

**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from any Organisation and State Governments seeking amendment to the prevention of Food Adulteration Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the decision of the Government thereto; and

(d) the action taken thereon?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a): Yes, Sir. Representations/suggestions have been received from various organisations, certain State Governments and some Committees seeking amendment to various provisions of the Prevention of Food Adulteration (PFA) Act, 1954.

(b): The amendments suggested include:-

(i) Change in the title of the Act;

(ii) Amendment of certain definitions given under the Act.

(iii) Making provisions for giving a counterpart of the sample to the vendor.

(iv) Harmonization of the penal provisions considering the gravity of the offence.

(c)&(d): Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has initiated action to review the PFA Act, 1954 for considering the necessary amendments to the Act.